

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 860

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A RESOLUTION to congratulate Dr. Duane D. Miller upon the receipt of the American Chemical Society's 2008 Division of Medicinal Chemistry Award and commend him for meritorious service to the citizens of Tennessee.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should salute those citizens who, through their extraordinary efforts, have distinguished themselves as community leaders of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, one such noteworthy person is Dr. Duane D. Miller, who has recently been named as the recipient of the American Chemical Society's 2008 Division of Medicinal Chemistry Award, a fitting recognition of his long record of outstanding contributions to the field of medicinal chemistry through research, mentorship, and service to the discipline; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Miller earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Pharmacy from the University of Kansas and a Ph.D. in Medicinal Chemistry from the University of Washington, where he was a National Institute of Health fellow; and

WHEREAS, a skilled leader and teacher, Duane Miller worked as the Ohio State University's chair of the Department of Medicinal Chemistry and Pharmacognosy for ten years, where he was appointed as a Kimberly professor. In 1992 he began working for the University of Tennessee as the Van Vleet Professor of Medicinal Chemistry before he was appointed as the associate dean for research and graduate programs in the College of Pharmacy in 2001; and

WHEREAS, his excellent teaching skills at the undergraduate and graduate level have garnered him recognition from both Ohio State University and the University of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, the accomplished Dr. Miller has published more than 250 papers, presented more than eighty invited lectures, mentored twenty-three Ph.D. students and thirty-three postdoctoral fellows, and has been listed as an inventor on at least thirteen patents; and

WHEREAS, Duane Miller's assiduous efforts have led to numerous medical innovations, including those that promise advancements in the treatments of prostate cancer, brain cancer, and the side effects of radiation and chemotherapy. His labors have truly served the benefit of all humankind, as he has made lifesaving and life-enhancing discoveries that will relieve countless patients from suffering; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Miller is an active and important part of his profession and his community, and he has contributed his time and immense talents in a variety of roles with the Division of Medicinal Chemistry, the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy, and the American Association of Pharmaceutical Scientists; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Miller epitomizes the spirit and commitment that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, this General Assembly finds it appropriate to pause in its deliberations to acknowledge and applaud Duane Miller for his dedication to the State of Tennessee and its citizens; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate Dr. Duane D. Miller upon the occasion of his receipt of the American Chemical Society's 2008 Division of Medicinal Chemistry Award, commend his meritorious service to the State of Tennessee, and extend to him our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.